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CLAIM LISTING

A listing of an entire set of claims 1-10, including non-statutory amendments of claims 1, 2, 4-8 and 10, is submitted herewith per 37 C.F.R. §1.121. This listing of claims 1-10 will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp for a vehicle headlamp comprising: a cylindrically-shaped discharge vessel (3; 13; 23; 33) along a longitudinal axis (10), said discharge vessel (3; 13; 23; 33) having a ceramic wall (43) which encloses a discharge space (42) comprising Xe and an ionizable filling, and
- a cylindrically-shaped outer bulb (1; 11; 21; 31) surrounding the discharge vessel (3; 13; 23; 33) along the longitudinal axis (10),

characterized in that

a portion (25, 26; 35, 36) of [[the]] <u>a</u> surface of the outer bulb (21; 31) facing away from the discharge vessel (23; 33) is shaped as a negative lens.

- 2. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the portion (25, 26; 35, 36) with respect to the longitudinal axis (10) encompasses a segment of the outer bulb (21; 31) with a segment angle α in [[the]] \underline{a} range between $20 \le \alpha \le 110^{\circ}$.
- 3. (Previously Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the portion (25, 26) forming the negative lens comprises a flat surface.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the portion (35, 36) forming the negative lens comprises a curved surface which is less curved than [[the]] <u>a</u> curvature of [[the]] <u>a</u> remainder of the outer bulb (31).

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5. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a first <u>portion</u> and a second portion (25, 26; 35, 36) of the surface of the outer bulb (21; 31) facing away from the discharge vessel (23, 33) are shaped as negative [[lens]] <u>lenses</u>.

- 6. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the first <u>portion</u> and the second portion (25, 26; 35, 36) are at opposite sides of the outer bulb (21; 31).
- 7. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that [[the]] <u>a</u> transition between the first portion and [[the]] <u>a</u> remainder of the outer bulb defines a first plane (25A; 35A),

in that [[the]] <u>a</u> transition between the second portion and the remainder of the outer bulb defines a second plane (26A; 36A), and

in that the first plane (25A; 35A) and the second plane (26A; 36A) make an angle with respect to each other which is equal to or less than 10°.

- 8. (Currently Amended) A metal halide lamp as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that at least one of the portions (25, 26; 35, 36) forming the negative [[lens]] <u>lenses</u> has anti-reflective properties.
- 9. (Original) A vehicle headlamp comprising a reflector (50) and a metal halide lamp (51) as claimed in claim 1.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A vehicle headlamp as claimed in claim [[10]] 9, characterized in that the [[portions]] <u>portion</u> forming the negative [[lenses are]] <u>lens is</u> oriented in the direction of portions of the reflector creating a cut-off between [[the]] <u>an</u> illuminated area and [[the]] <u>a</u> glare area according to requirements for automotive passing beam patterns.